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SOME GENERAL MACKEREL NEWS.

More mackerel, real big fish too, were brought into Portland, Monday, and quite a large fleet of seiners are off Cape Elizabeth Lightship looking for fish.

In addition to the trip landed by Sch. Victor, reported yesterday, steamers Philomena and Ethel each had 400 fish.

Salt Tinkers \$10.50 per Bbl.

The tinker salt mackerel fare of steamer Lois H. Corkum were taken to Boston and sold there at \$10.50 a barrel.

Norwegian Spring Catch.

News of the Norwegian mackerel fishing, dated July 31, says that mackerel netting is all over, says the Fishing Gazette. Considerable mackerel are being caught from Stavanger to Bergen with seines, more than ever before. The catch of mackerel in Sweden this spring amounted to 2,028 bbls. salt mackerel, against 5,431 bbls. last year. Sales were made at \$11 per bbl.

Mackerel Catch and Imports.

The total catch of salt mackerel to date has been 2240 barrels, as compared with 3326 barrels in 1911.

The total catch of fresh mackerel by the fleet to date is 17,112 barrels, against 37,512 barrels for the same period of last year.

Imports of salt mackerel at Boston to date is 5604 barrels, while in 1911 during the same period 2748 barrels were landed.

Fresh mackerel imports received at Boston to date are 3273 barrels against 3334 barrels in 1911.

The New York Market.

The New York market continues firm for Norway, No. 1 to No. 4, and for Irish fall and winter stocks, but is easier for spring Norways and Irish, the Fishing Gazette says. Cable advices from Norway this week have been received to the effect that the mackerel fishing for the season has just started, and shows a good quality of fish, but it is, of course, too early to form an opinion in regard to the probable catch. Other advices state that the catch of salt mackerel to date was 3,500 bbls., and that prices on the new goods have not yet been made.

Mackerel Fishery at Plymouth, Eng.

In a recent report on the industries of Plymouth, Eng., the American consul there states that mackerel continues to hold its place as the most prolific fish found locally, but the output for 1911 was not nearly so good as that of the previous year. Although no less than 172,689 cwt. of 112 pounds of this fish were brought to market, this yield represents a shortage of some 70,000 cwt. compared with 1910, and correspondingly less profit to the fishermen. Pllchards represented a shortage of over 200,000 cwt. To a smaller extent hake, haddock, cod, skates and ray were also plentiful. The herring season was an exceedingly good one, the total catch of 126,508 cwt. being in excess of the previous year's by over 43,000 cwt. Plaice, whiting and prime fish of all kinds were also more plentiful, while dogfish seemed to increase not only in numbers, but also in value as a marketable commodity. Including shellfish valued at over \$300,000, the total value of the fish landed last year was \$2,126,909.

Porto Rico Fish Market.

We maintain our last quotation of \$27 per drum for codfish, net ex-wharf at San Juan, at which limit actual sales have taken place. The situation at Ponce does not show any improvement. Shipments just arrived at that port are being realized at \$24.50 to \$25 per drum, and we are afraid this unsatisfactory condition of things will soon affect the entire island. Good articles will sell at Mayaguez at about \$25.50. The demand continues fair. Pollock and haddock none, or very small stocks. Demand good. It is difficult, however, to place these goods unless by restoring to the retailer trade at more than \$18.50 per drum, net ex-wharf.

Since July 30 the arrivals have been: At San Juan, 110 tcs. cod, 20 tcs. fish, 10 tcs. haddock, 1 tc. pollock; at Ponce, 246 tcs., 16 small drums cod, 29 tcs. haddock, 18 tcs. dry fish, 22 tcs. pollock, 100 boxes bloaters; at Mayaguez, 166 tcs. cod, 20 tcs. dry fish, 10 tcs. fish, 10 tcs. haddock, 7 tcs. pollock; at Aguadilla, 60 tcs. cod, 5 tcs. pollock; at Arecibo, 11 tcs. cod-fish. Reported by S. Ramirez & Co., San Juan, Porto Rico, August 6, 1912.

The bubonic plague is reported to be now under control with no new cases developing. A public subscription has been raised to defray the cost of housing the natives whose houses were pulled down to stay the progress of the disease.

Fish Firm Suffered From Fire.

Reedville, Va., was visited by the most disastrous fire of its history, a week ago, Monday, when the large fish factory of Morris & Fisher was entirely destroyed. This factory was one of the largest in the country engaged in the manufacture of fish fertilizer and the loss is heavy, being variously estimated at from \$150,000 to \$200,000. Fire started in the main factory, which was filled with thousands of barrels of ground fish and fish oil. This building was entirely destroyed with its contents, but employees prevented the flames from spreading to the elevator and oil tanks.

Charges Enough.

Joseph Souza, a clam fisherman of New Bedford, was fined \$20 recently for landing quahogs at a place not licensed by law, with selling quahogs taken from the polluted area to other than a license holder of the second class, to taking quahogs outside of the polluted area without first surrendering his license, with selling the quahogs from the polluted area to an unlicensed buyer and to failing to display his license number.

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Ice Bothered Badly.

It is said that the Newfoundland Straits fishery will be the poorest in years, due to the lateness of ice drifting in the gulf, which prevented the men getting to work. The Straits fishery is almost entirely a caplin fishery, and as the caplin school is practically over, the prospects for the season are not encouraging.

In White and Notre Dame bays the caplin fishing has so far proved above the average, and should the squid turn out proportionately as good the season will be one of the best in years. Absence of sunshine, however, is interfering with the curing.

Overhauling the Fish Hawk.

The U. S. Fish Commission steamer Fish Hawk, which has been undergoing a thorough overhauling at the plant of the Pusey & Jones Co., Wilmington, Del., sailed from the company's yard on Monday for Wood's Hole, Mass.

Considering Dogfish Matter.

The St. John's, N. F., Board of Trade has taken up the dogfish question and at present are discussing ways and means of utilizing the pest and collecting information with a view to starting a reduction plant.

Oporto Shipments.

Two shipments of this year's catch and cure of salt cod, have been shipped from the Newfoundland southwest coast of Oporto market. In all they aggregate 13,000 quintals.

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Good Maiden Trip.

Capt. Conrad's new banker Mary and Mildred arrived at St. John's, N. F., last week from the Grand Banks with 1100 quintals of fish, the most of which he secured in the early part of the season. Capt. Conrad reports fish fairly plentiful, but owing to the scarcity of bait there is very little caught. After the fall fishery the Mary and Mildred will be engaged freighting frozen herring from the West Coast to Nova Scotia.

Clam Diggers Fined.

Seventeen clam diggers of Quincy, caught clamming on Half Moon island, Boston bay, were arrested recently and fined \$7 each for digging clams in prohibited territory. Half Moon island has been the Mecca for some time for scores of clam diggers, who have daily taken many bushels of clams to supply the hotels at Nantasket beach.

Jackstone From the Sea.

John Ventura of Provincetown, has a jackstone which was brought up on the sounding lead of the local fishing sch. Annie Perry, while that vessel was in 540 feet of water, 70 miles off Highland Light.

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PROVINCETOWN FISHERS HOT.

Claim They Are Practically at Mercy of Cold Storage Plants.

"Local fishermen," says a Provincetown dispatch in a Boston paper, "are up in arms over an alleged combine on the part of the storehouses here to control the price and output of fish.

"They complain that they are entirely at the mercy of the so-called 'trust.'

"They charge that the four cold storage plants, in the maintenance of which Boston capital plays an important part, are holding back large quantities of fish for food and bait in order to reap exorbitant profits in times of scarcity.

"Fishermen assert that 40,000 barrels of fish are now in cold storage here; that there are 18,000 barrels of food fish on hand, and that the warehouse interests await an opportunity to boost the prices from 100 to 400%.

"All this is hotly denied by the warehouse managers, who reply that food fish has not been accumulated by them, and that the only fish being held in storage are large quantities of porgies and squid to be used as winter bait.

"The fishermen say they used to receive liveable rate for fish in the old days, but that in recent years their percentage has been gradually clipped until they are now reduced to almost starvation margins.

"They declare that the big dealers, who have equipped fine storehouses, are making bigger profits than ever before, but refuse to share with them.

"Three-quarters of the population of Provincetown goes down to the sea in ships. Most of these are Portuguese, a hardy race. They are willing to work hard, but when they saw other people becoming rich on the fruits of their toil, while they were no better off, they concluded it was time to object, they say.

"All of the fish that comes into Provincetown, they charge, must be sold to the four storage warehouses or rot in the holds of the schooners. These four storage warehouses are the Provincetown Cold Storage Company, the Fishermen's Storage, the Cape Cod Storage and the Consolidated Storage. Two of these, the Cape Cod and the Consolidated Storages, were capitalized by Boston financiers, each at \$100,000.

"The four storage warehouses work in conjunction, the fishermen allege. They agree on prices and pay just what they want.

"Two years ago, before the coming of the Consolidated and Cape Cod Storages the fishermen sold their fish to the storehouses to sell at an advance of twelve-and-a-half per cent., in the Boston and New York markets. They were satisfied. Now they sell their fish to the storages, get the same prices, but the storages, they allege, instead of getting a little more than \$3 a barrel, as before, get \$6 or \$7 a barrel. The fishermen do not share in this increase. They have to take the price they can get or let their fish spoil."

LOOKS GOOD AT NEWFOUNDLAND.

The S. S. Home, Capt. Harbin, arrived at Bay of Islands, N. F., from Lewisporte, Battle Harbor and intermediate points on Wednesday afternoon last. The Home brings glowing reports of the fishery along her route. The Treaty shore fishery has been a great success; in many cases all the salt available was used and if it had been possible to procure a further supply of the briny substance, even a much larger catch would have been realized. The Notre Dame Bay fishermen have been successful in securing large catches and the Twillingate people in particular are feeling jubilant as a result of the abundance of cod.—Western Star.

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Lockport, N. S., Fishing Notes.

Sch. Alice baited at Lockport and sailed Saturday evening.

Sch. Paragon was awaiting bait last Monday. Weather was too rough for hauling of traps.

Sch. Sadie M. Nunan ran in on Monday for shelter.

Fishing prospects are better the past week. On a short trip one schooner shared \$15, another \$19.

Sch. Rhodora baited and sailed the last of last week.

Schs. Athlete and Harry A. Nickerson were delayed several days awaiting a chance to sail.

Left Fish on Shore.

An unexpected influx of salt water from the Gulf of Mexico into Mobile Bay a week ago Sunday left thousands of live fish and sea crabs on the eastern shore, near Point Clear and Seundels, Ala. Vacationists at the bay resorts gathered them in baskets. G. Mertz, a wealthy merchant of Mobile, in a few hours caught 253 flounders and 62 dozen crabs.

Wrecked Japs Deported.

Secretary Nagel of the Department of Commerce and Labor, will order within a few days the deportation of the five shipwrecked Japanese who were blown across the Pacific ocean in a fishing junk, finally landing at Del Mar, Cal. The United States will pay the expenses of the Japs on their way home.

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New Fish Net Reel.

A new contrivance, in the shape of a fish net reel for pulling the long gill nets into the fishing boats, has been patented by Henry A. Monroe, of Astoria, Ore. This machine stands about five feet high, weighs about 150 pounds, and is meant to be placed in the center of the boat, says the "Weekly Astorian." It can be operated by a crank, or can be arranged so as to utilize the engine in a power boat. By its use the long net, some of which measure from two to four hundred feet, can be drawn in much more easily and more rapidly than by hand. The new reel, which costs about \$150, will be ready, it is understood, by the beginning of next fishing season.

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CAPTURED A "WHATISIT"

A strange specimen of fish was landed at Revere yesterday by two fishermen from Short beach, who assert that they have never seen anything like it during a long seafaring experience. It somewhat resembles a sun fish, having two large dorsal fins. From tip to tip of the opposite fins the fish measures 6 feet 6 inches, but from the nose to its apology for a tail the distance is only five feet. The weight is estimated at 300 pounds.

The fish was captured by Capt. Charles Neil, who has been a fisherman about Massachusetts bay for 25 years. He was off the beach about three miles when the strange fish appeared, swimming near the boat. Capt. Neil and his companion, Jack Connor, had a lively fight with the monster. Connor jabbed it with a boat hook, which caught in its side, and he thus held it while Neil struck it several blows on the head with a heavy hammer. These seemed to have no effect, but it was finally dispatched with several shots from a revolver.

The fish is furnished with a pair of blow holes, with which it spouted water like a whale. It has no scales, but is covered with a hard, rough skin, which cut the fingers of men like an exceedingly sharp file. The old salts say they never saw anything like it.

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Steam Trawler Now Handlining.

The first trip of the former steam trawler Wren as a handliner craft, ended last Monday when after about 10 days' work she landed 50,000 pounds of fish at Canso, the proceeds to be divided in shares between 20 fishermen.

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Exports From Yarmouth.

The value of the exports of fish and products from Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, to the United States, as per consular reports, during 1911 and 1910, respectively, were: Codfish, \$136,238 and \$61,562; haddock and hake, \$11,135 and \$11,849; halibut, \$31,922 and \$60,321; herring, \$4,402 and \$5,529; mackerel, \$1,888 and \$4,046; canned lobsters, \$47,123 and \$59,828; live lobsters, \$25,228 and \$14,685; fish oil, \$1,112 and \$5073.

Halibut Sale.

The halibut fare of sch. Cavalier sold to the New England Fish Company this morning at 12 1-4 cents a pound for white, 10 1-2 cents for gray, and 8 1-2 cents for chicken.

Aug. 22. PRICES WERE GENERALLY LOW

But Large Offshore Cod Sold
at \$4.75 to \$5 at T Wharf
This Morning.

Haddock and cod were in abundant quantity at T wharf, Boston, this morning, although prices did not rule high except on large off shore cod which sold at \$4.75 and \$5 a hundred weight.

Among the morning's arrivals are the sister schs. Ellen and Mary and the Mary. Both are from off shore, the former with 52,000 pounds and the latter 43,000 pounds. Other fares are schs. Fannie Belle Atwood, 40,000 pounds; Gladys and Nellie, 43,000 pounds; Helen B. Thomas, 34,000 pounds; steam trawler Swell, 46,000 pounds.

Haddock brought \$1.25 per hundred weight, large cod, \$4.75 and \$5; market cod, \$1.75 to \$2; hake, \$2; pollock, \$2 and swordfish, 9 to 13 cents a pound.

Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are:
Str. Crest, 16,000 haddock, 34,000 cod.
Sch. Mary, 55,000 haddock, 6000 cod.
Sch. Ellen and Mary, 40,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 6000 pollock.
Sch. Gladys and Nellie, 35,000 haddock, 8000 cod.
Sch. Washakie, 36,000 haddock, 600 cod.
Sch. Helen B. Thomas, 32,000 haddock, 2000 cod.
Sch. William A. Morse, 14,000 haddock, 15,000 cod, 3000 pollock.
Sch. Dixie, 1000 cod, 3000 pollock.
Sch. Olivia Sears, 800 cod, 4500 pollock.
Sch. Columbia, 1000 cod, 500 pollock.
Sch. Lillian, 500 cod, 2000 pollock.
Sch. Fannie Belle Atwood, 35,000 haddock, 5000 cod.
Str. Swell, 15,000 haddock, 31,000 cod.
Sch. On Time, 5 swordfish.
Sch. Water Witch, 20 bbls. fresh tinker mackerel.

Haddock, \$1.25 per cwt.; large cod, \$4.75 to \$5; market cod, \$1.75 to \$2; hake, \$2; pollock, \$2 to \$2.25; fresh tinker mackerel, 6c per lb.; swordfish, 9c to 13c per lb.

FIRST PACIFIC BANKER IS HOME

The schooner Fanny Dutard arrived at Anacortes August 14 and is the first of the codfish fleet to arrive from the Behring sea. This vessel belongs to the Matheson fisheries and carried a cargo of about 385 tons of good-sized codfish. This cargo proclaims the season to be much better than was expected.

The vessel sailed into the port of Anacortes early a week ago Wednesday morning and her cargo was pleasing. Word is expected from the Maid of Orleans, which will be in with another cargo soon. This ship will bring a bigger cargo than the Fanny Dutard.

The schooner Alice of the Robinson fisheries is expected almost daily. She had two-thirds of her cargo aboard the latter part of June and it is expected that she is just about due at this time.

The health of the crew was good, and nothing of note marked the season's cruise in the far north.

Portland Fishing Notes.

Tuesday was a poor day for the fishermen at Portland, for only one out of the fleet of 20 or more vessels that went out on the fishing grounds succeeded in making a catch. The steamer Quoddy scooped in a school of about 120 barrels of herring, but the rest of the fleet returned empty handed, the herring and mackerel that have been showing up around the lightship for the past fortnight having entirely disappeared, much to the disappointment of the fishermen, who had been counting on making a good haul yesterday. In all probability their disappearance is only temporary and they will show up again in a few days.

Aug. 22. ICE WAS PLENTY BAIT SCARCE.

Sch. Cavalier Back from a
Halibut Trip, Reports
Poor Fishing.

The only off shore arrival here since yesterday is sch. Cavalier, Capt. Robert Porper, who is back from an eight weeks halibuting trip in the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

Capt. Porper has been as far as the Straits of Belle Isle, but there was a heavy field of ice coming through, and shortly afterwards he headed her for the southward. On the latter part of the trip, bait was plenty, the Cavalier getting her supply at Canso.

Capt. Porper confirms the news of the poor catch on the Labrador coast this year. Caplin have struck off he says, and some four weeks ago, while off the coast the traps and fishermen were doing but little in what is usually the very best season of the year.

The Cavalier brought home about 12,000 pounds of fresh halibut, 3000 pounds of fletched halibut, 10,000 pounds of salt cod.

The gasliners took a few bluebacks yesterday. The fish are schooling off Halibut Point, and as far to the northward as Boone Island. The fish taken off the latter place are of a larger size and variety than those seined in the bay.

One trip, the tof sch. Rough Rider, went to Boston.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Str. Advance, seining, 90 bbls. bluebacks, 200 fresh mackerel.
Str. Rough Rider, seining, 75 bbls. bluebacks, went to Boston.
Str. Nita, seining, 30 bbls. bluebacks, 25 large fresh mackerel.
Str. Marchant, seining, 40 bbls. bluebacks.
Str. Mercedes, seining, 15 bbls. bluebacks.
Sch. Annie and Jennie, via Boston.
Sch. Lillian, via Boston.
Sch. Mina Swim, via Boston.
Sch. Appomattox, via Boston.
Sch. Fitz A. Oakes, shore.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Catherine Burke, halibuting.
Sch. Esperanto, halibuting.
Sch. Elsie, halibuting.
Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, halibuting.
Sch. Mary E. Silva, haddocking.
Sch. Annie and Jennie, haddocking.
Sch. Stiletto, seining.
Sch. Volant, drifting.
Sch. Titania, Eastern handlining.
Sch. Stranger, swordfishing.
Sch. Cherokee, swordfishing.
Sch. Lafayette, swordfishing.
Sch. Esther Gray, swordfishing.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

Trawl bank cod, large, \$3.25; medium, \$2.87 1-2; snappers, \$2.
Handline Georges codfish, large, \$4.00 per cwt.; medium, \$3.50; snappers, \$2.50.
Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$3.25; mediums, \$2.87 1/2; snappers, \$2.00.
Dory handline codfish, large, \$3.50; medium, \$3.12 1/2; snappers, \$2.25.
Georges halibut codfish, large, \$4.12 1/2; mediums, \$3.50.
Drift codfish, large, \$3.75; mediums, \$3.37 1/2.

Haddock, \$1.50.
Pollock, \$1.25.
Cusk, large, \$2.50; medium, \$1.75; snappers, \$1.25.
Hake, \$1.25.
Salt tinker mackerel, \$10 per bbl.
Fletched halibut, 8c per lb.

Fresh Fish.

Haddock, 70c per cwt.
Peak and Cape North cod, large, \$1.75; medium, \$1.50; snappers, 75c.
Western cod, large, \$2.00; mediums, \$1.65; snappers, 75c.
All codfish not gilled, 10c per 100 pounds less than the above.
Hake, 70c.
Cusk, large, \$1.30; medium, \$1.00; snappers, 50c.
Dressed pollock 80c, round 70c.
Bank halibut, 12 1-4c per lb. for white, 8 1-2c for chicken, 10 1-2c for gray.
Fresh mackerel, 35c for large, 5c per lb. for tinkers.
Fresh bluebacks, \$2 to \$2.25 per bbl. for bait; \$1.25 per bbl. to freezer; 60 cts. per bbl. for oil.
Fresh porgies, \$1.25 per bbl. for bait; 75c per bbl. for oil.
Fresh herring, \$1.50 per bbl. to freezer; \$2.50 per bbl. for bait.

Aug. 22. SALT MACKEREL SELL FOR \$12

Boats Landing a Few Large
and Small Tinkers at
Boston and Newport.

The gasoline boats took a few mackerel among some bluebacks yesterday, the Advance having 200 mixed fish, and the Nita, 25 large ones, both fares being purchased by Lufkin & Tarr.

Steamer Bessie M. Dugan, Capt. Jerry Cook, arrived at Boston yesterday with a small fare of tinkers, hailing for 6000 pounds, while this morning seamer Water Witch was in with 20 barrels of tinkers.

The dealers paid six cents pound for the fish at the dock.

A despatch from Newport, R. I., states that large sized tinkers are being taken off there with prospects excellent for good fishing. Recent arrivals are the Gertrude, 18 barrels; Thomas Congdon, 38 barrels; Alice, 34 barrels; Freedom, 30 barrels; Reliance, 19 barrels.

The dealers are paying \$9 a barrel for the fish at the dock.

The salt tinker mackerel fare of sch. Pinta sold to George Perkins & Son at \$12 and \$8 a barrel, while those of schs. Clintonia and Stiletto were purchased by William H. Jordan & Co., at \$12 a barrel.

The salt mackerel of sch. Pinta was sold to Fred Bradley at \$12 and \$8 per barrel.

TRAWLER CREST ASHORE IN FOG

Was Floated When the Tide
Arose and Landed Fish
Fare at T Wharf.

The steam trawler Crest owned by the Bay State Fishing company of Boston, while making Boston market yesterday morning went ashore in the heavy fog on Ram's Head ledge in Broad sound, about three miles inside the Graves. It was discovered later, by means of soundings that the steamer had passed safely through a "nest" of submerged boulders and grounded safely on a flat bottom.

Shortly after the trawler grounded the blasts of her whistle attracted the Belfast, bound from Bangor to Boston, to the scene, where the predicament of the fishing vessel was learned and a call for a tug received. It was reported there was no immediate danger. The tug Bronx went to the ledge to aid the trawler and later, the craft was floated and was at T wharf this morning with her fare for market.

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Making Annual Summer Trip.

Capt. Jerome McDonald is making a halibut trip in command of sch. Catherine Burke, as is his custom every summer.

Bait at Bacaro.

Plenty of bait is reported in the traps at West Bacaro, N. S.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Schs. J. J. Flaherty, Arabia and W. H. Rider were at Canso, N. S., Monday, last.

Sch. Georgia cleared from Canso on the same day.

Schs. Elizabeth W. Nunan and Mary B. Greer were at Liverpool, N. S., on Monday last and cleared for fishing.

Had Big Swordfish.

Sloop On Time at Boston this morning landed a monster swordfish which weighed 653 pounds. It was purchased on the wharf at 13 cents a pound.

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Exports From Yarmouth.

The value of the exports of fish and products from Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, to the United States, as per consular reports, during 1911 and 1910, respectively, were: Codfish, \$136,238 and \$61,562; haddock and hake, \$11,135 and \$11,849; halibut, \$31,922 and \$60,321; herring, \$4,402 and \$5,529; mackerel, \$1,888 and \$4,046; canned lobsters, \$47,123 and \$59,828; live lobsters, \$25,228 and \$14,685; fish oil, \$1,112 and \$5073.

Halibut Sale.

The halibut fare of sch. Cavalier sold to the New England Fish Company this morning at 12 1-4 cents a pound for white, 10 1-2 cents for gray, and 8 1-2 cents for chicken.

Aug. 22. PRICES WERE GENERALLY LOW

But Large Offshore Cod Sold
at \$4.75 to \$5 at T Wharf
This Morning.

Haddock and cod were in abundant quantity at T wharf, Boston, this morning, although prices did not rule high except on large off shore cod which sold at \$4.75 and \$5 a hundred weight.

Among the morning's arrivals are the sister schs. Ellen and Mary and the Mary. Both are from off shore, the former with 52,000 pounds and the latter 43,000 pounds. Other fares are schs. Fannie Belle Atwood, 40,000 pounds; Gladys and Nellie, 43,000 pounds; Helen B. Thomas, 34,000 pounds; steam trawler Swell, 46,000 pounds.

Haddock brought \$1.25 per hundred weight, large cod, \$4.75 and \$5; market cod, \$1.75 to \$2; hake, \$2; pollock, \$2 and swordfish, 9 to 13 cents a pound.

Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are:
Str. Crest, 16,000 haddock, 34,000 cod.
Sch. Mary, 55,000 haddock, 6000 cod.
Sch. Ellen and Mary, 40,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 6000 pollock.
Sch. Gladys and Nellie, 35,000 haddock, 8000 cod.
Sch. Washakie, 36,000 haddock, 600 cod.
Sch. Helen B. Thomas, 32,000 haddock, 2000 cod.
Sch. William A. Morse, 14,000 haddock, 15,000 cod, 3000 pollock.
Sch. Dixie, 1000 cod, 3000 pollock.
Sch. Olivia Sears, 800 cod, 4500 pollock.
Sch. Columbia, 1000 cod, 500 pollock.
Sch. Lillian, 500 cod, 2000 pollock.
Sch. Fannie Belle Atwood, 35,000 haddock, 5000 cod.
Str. Swell, 15,000 haddock, 31,000 cod.
Sch. On Time, 5 swordfish.
Sch. Water Witch, 20 bbls. fresh tinker mackerel.

Haddock, \$1.25 per cwt.; large cod, \$4.75 to \$5; market cod, \$1.75 to \$2; hake, \$2; pollock, \$2 to \$2.25; fresh tinker mackerel, 6c per lb.; swordfish, 9c to 13c per lb.

FIRST PACIFIC BANKER IS HOME

The schooner Fanny Dutard arrived at Anacortes August 14 and is the first of the codfish fleet to arrive from the Behring sea. This vessel belongs to the Matheson fisheries and carried a cargo of about 385 tons of good-sized codfish. This cargo proclaims the season to be much better than was expected.

The vessel sailed into the port of Anacortes early a week ago Wednesday morning and her cargo was pleasing. Word is expected from the Maid of Orleans, which will be in with another cargo soon. This ship will bring a bigger cargo than the Fanny Dutard.

The schooner Alice of the Robinson fisheries is expected almost daily. She had two-thirds of her cargo aboard the latter part of June and it is expected that she is just about due at this time.

The health of the crew was good, and nothing of note marked the season's cruise in the far north.

Portland Fishing Notes.

Tuesday was a poor day for the fishermen at Portland, for only one out of the fleet of 20 or more vessels that went out on the fishing grounds succeeded in making a catch. The steamer Quoddy scooped in a school of about 120 barrels of herring, but the rest of the fleet returned empty handed, the herring and mackerel that have been showing up around the lightship for the past fortnight having entirely disappeared, much to the disappointment of the fishermen, who had been counting on making a good haul yesterday. In all probability their disappearance is only temporary and they will show up again in a few days.

Aug. 22. ICE WAS PLENTY BAIT SCARCE.

Sch. Cavalier Back from a
Halibut Trip, Reports
Poor Fishing.

The only off shore arrival here since yesterday is sch. Cavalier, Capt. Robert Porper, who is back from an eight weeks halibuting trip in the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

Capt. Porper has been as far as the Straits of Belle Isle, but there was a heavy field of ice coming through, and shortly afterwards he headed her for the southward. On the latter part of the trip, bait was plenty, the Cavalier getting her supply at Canso.

Capt. Porper confirms the news of the poor catch on the Labrador coast this year. Caplin have struck off he says, and some four weeks ago, while off the coast the traps and fishermen were doing but little in what is usually the very best season of the year.

The Cavalier brought home about 12,000 pounds of fresh halibut, 3000 pounds of fletched halibut, 10,000 pounds of salt cod.

The gasliners took a few bluebacks yesterday. The fish are schooling off Halibut Point, and as far to the northward as Boone Island. The fish taken off the latter place are of a larger size and variety than those seined in the bay.

One trip, the tof sch. Rough Rider, went to Boston.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Str. Advance, seining, 90 bbls. bluebacks, 200 fresh mackerel.
Str. Rough Rider, seining, 75 bbls. bluebacks, went to Boston.
Str. Nita, seining, 30 bbls. bluebacks, 25 large fresh mackerel.
Str. Marchant, seining, 40 bbls. bluebacks.
Str. Mercedes, seining, 15 bbls. bluebacks.
Sch. Annie and Jennie, via Boston.
Sch. Lillian, via Boston.
Sch. Mina Swim, via Boston.
Sch. Appomattox, via Boston.
Sch. Fitz A. Oakes, shore.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Catherine Burke, halibuting.
Sch. Esperanto, halibuting.
Sch. Elsie, halibuting.
Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, halibuting.
Sch. Mary E. Silva, haddocking.
Sch. Annie and Jennie, haddocking.
Sch. Stiletto, seining.
Sch. Volant, drifting.
Sch. Titania, Eastern handlining.
Sch. Stranger, swordfishing.
Sch. Cherokee, swordfishing.
Sch. Lafayette, swordfishing.
Sch. Esther Gray, swordfishing.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

Trawl bank cod, large, \$3.25; medium, \$2.87 1-2; snappers, \$2.
Handline Georges codfish, large, \$4.00 per cwt.; medium, \$3.50; snappers, \$2.50.
Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$3.25; mediums, \$2.87 1/2; snappers, \$2.00.
Dory handline codfish, large, \$3.50; medium, \$3.12 1/2; snappers, \$2.25.
Georges halibut codfish, large, \$4.12 1/2; mediums, \$3.50.
Drift codfish, large, \$3.75; mediums, \$3.37 1/2.

Haddock, \$1.50.
Pollock, \$1.25.
Cusk, large, \$2.50; medium, \$1.75; snappers, \$1.25.
Hake, \$1.25.
Salt tinker mackerel, \$10 per bbl.
Fletched halibut, 8c per lb.

Fresh Fish.

Haddock, 70c per cwt.
Peak and Cape North cod, large, \$1.75; medium, \$1.50; snappers, 75c.
Western cod, large, \$2.00; mediums, \$1.65; snappers, 75c.
All codfish not gilled, 10c per 100 pounds less than the above.
Hake, 70c.
Cusk, large, \$1.30; medium, \$1.00; snappers, 50c.
Dressed pollock 80c, round 70c.
Bank halibut, 12 1-4c per lb. for white, 8 1-2c for chicken, 10 1-2c for gray.
Fresh mackerel, 35c for large, 5c per lb. for tinkers.
Fresh bluebacks, \$2 to \$2.25 per bbl. for bait; \$1.25 per bbl. to freezer; 60 cts. per bbl. for oil.
Fresh porgies, \$1.25 per bbl. for bait; 75c per bbl. for oil.
Fresh herring, \$1.50 per bbl. to freezer; \$2.50 per bbl. for bait.

Aug. 22. SALT MACKEREL SELL FOR \$12

Boats Landing a Few Large
and Small Tinkers at
Boston and Newport.

The gasoline boats took a few mackerel among some bluebacks yesterday, the Advance having 200 mixed fish, and the Nita, 25 large ones, both fares being purchased by Lufkin & Tarr.

Steamer Bessie M. Dugan, Capt. Jerry Cook, arrived at Boston yesterday with a small fare of tinkers, hailing for 6000 pounds, while this morning seamer Water Witch was in with 20 barrels of tinkers.

The dealers paid six cents pound for the fish at the dock.

A despatch from Newport, R. I., states that large sized tinkers are being taken off there with prospects excellent for good fishing. Recent arrivals are the Gertrude, 18 barrels; Thomas Congdon, 38 barrels; Alice, 34 barrels; Freedom, 30 barrels; Reliance, 19 barrels.

The dealers are paying \$9 a barrel for the fish at the dock.

The salt tinker mackerel fare of sch. Pinta sold to George Perkins & Son at \$12 and \$8 a barrel, while those of schs. Clintonia and Stiletto were purchased by William H. Jordan & Co., at \$12 a barrel.

The salt mackerel of sch. Pinta was sold to Fred Bradley at \$12 and \$8 per barrel.

TRAWLER CREST ASHORE IN FOG

Was Floated When the Tide
Arose and Landed Fish
Fare at T Wharf.

The steam trawler Crest owned by the Bay State Fishing company of Boston, while making Boston market yesterday morning went ashore in the heavy fog on Ram's Head ledge in Broad sound, about three miles inside the Graves. It was discovered later, by means of soundings that the steamer had passed safely through a "nest" of submerged boulders and grounded safely on a flat bottom.

Shortly after the trawler grounded the blasts of her whistle attracted the Belfast, bound from Bangor to Boston, to the scene, where the predicament of the fishing vessel was learned and a call for a tug received. It was reported there was no immediate danger. The tug Bronx went to the ledge to aid the trawler and later, the craft was floated and was at T wharf this morning with her fare for market.

Aug. 22.

Halibut Sale.

The fresh halibut fare of sch. Cavalier sold to the New England Fish Co. at 12 1/4 cents per pound, for white, 10 1/2 cents per pound for gray and 8 1/2 cents per pound for chickens.

Making Annual Summer Trip.

Capt. Jerome McDonald is making a halibut trip in command of sch. Catherine Burke, as is his custom every summer.

Bait at Bacaro.

Plenty of bait is reported in the traps at West Bacaro, N. S.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Schs. J. J. Flaherty, Arabia and W. H. Rider were at Canso, N. S., Monday, last.

Sch. Georgia cleared from Canso on the same day.

Schs. Elizabeth W. Nunan and Mary B. Greer were at Liverpool, N. S., on Monday last and cleared for fishing.

Had Big Swordfish.

Sloop On Time at Boston this morning landed a monster swordfish which weighed 653 pounds. It was purchased on the wharf at 13 cents a pound.